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the case of cable discontinue programming on all channels during a national level EAS message. For Broadcast licensees this authorization will remain in effect through the period of the initial license and subsequent renewals from the time of issuance unless returned by the holder or suspended, modified or withdrawn by the Commission.

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§11.20 State Relay Network.

This network is composed of State Relay (SR) sources, leased common carrier communications facilities or any other available communication facilities. The network distributes State EAS messages originated by the Governor or designated official. In addition to EAS monitoring, satellites, microwave, FM subcarrier or any other communications technology may be used to distribute State emergency messages.

§11.21 State and Local Area Plans and FCC Mapbook.

EAS plans contain guidelines which must be followed by broadcast and cable personnel, emergency officials and National Weather Service (NWS) personnel to activate the EAS. The plans include the EAS header code and messages that will be transmitted by key EAS sources (NP, LP, SP, and SR). State and local plans may contain unique methods of EAS message distribution such as the use of RBDS. The plans must be reviewed and approved by the Chief, Compliance and Information Bureau prior to implementation to ensure that they are consistent with national plans, FCC regulations, and EAS operation.

(a) The State plan contains procedures for State emergency management and other State officials, the NWS, and broadcast and cable personnel to transmit emergency information to the public during a State emergency using the EAS.

(b) The Local Area plan contains procedures for local officials or the NWS to transmit emergency information to the public during a local emergency using the EAS. Local plans may be a part of the State plan. A Local Area is a geographical area of contiguous com-

munities or counties that may include more than one state.

(c) The FCC Mapbook is based on the above plans. It organizes all broadcast stations and cable systems according to their State, EAS Local Area and EAS designation.

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Subpart B—Equipment Requirements

§11.31 EAS protocol.

(a) The EAS uses a four part message for an emergency activation of the EAS. The four parts are: Preamble and EAS Header Codes; audio Attention Signal; message; and, Preamble and EAS End Of Message (EOM) Codes.

(1) The Preamble and EAS Codes must use Audio Frequency Shift Keying at a rate of 520.83 bits per second to transmit the codes. Mark frequency is 2083.3 Hz and space frequency is 1562.5 Hz. Mark and space time must be 1.92 milliseconds. Characters are ASCII seven bit characters as defined in ANSI X3.4–1977 ending with an eighth null bit (either 0 or 1) to constitute a full eightbit byte.

(2) The Attention Signal must be made up of the fundamental frequencies of 853 and 960 Hz. The two tones must be transmitted simultaneously. The Attention Signal must be transmitted after the EAS header codes.

(3) The message may be audio, video or text.

(b) The ASCII dash and plus symbols are required and may not be used for any other purpose. FM or TV call signs must use a slash ASCII character number 47 (/) in lieu of a dash.

(c) The EAS protocol, including any codes, must not be amended, extended or abridged without FCC authorization. The EAS protocol and message format are specified in the following representation. Examples are provided in FCC Public Notices.

[PREAMBLE] ZCZC - ORG - EEE - PSSCCC + TTTT - JJJHHMM - LLLLLLL -(one second pause)

[PREAMBLE] ZCZC - ORG - EEE - PSSCCC + TTTT - JJJHHMM - LLLLLLL - (one second pause)

[PREAMBLE] ZCZC - ORG - EEE - PSSCCC + TTTT - JJJHHMM - LLLLLLL -

(at lease a one second pause)

(transmission of 8 to 25 seconds of Attention Signal)

(transmission of audio, video or text messages)

(at least a one second pause)

[PREAMBLE] NNNN

(one second pause)

[PREAMBLE] NNNN

(one second pause) [PREAMBLE] NNNN

(at least one second pause)

[PREAMBLE] This is a consecutive string of bits (sixteen bytes of AB hexadecimal [8 bit byte 10101011]) sent to clear the system, set AGC and set asynchoronous decoder clocking cycles. The preamble must be transmitted before each header and End Of Message code.

ZCZC- This is the identifier, sent as ASCII characters ZCZC to indicate the start of ASCII code.

ORG- This is the Originator code and indicates who originally initiated the activation of the EAS. These codes are specified in paragraph (d) of this section.

EEE- This is the Event code and indicates the nature of the EAS activation. The codes are specified in paragrah (e) of this section. The Event codes must be compatible with the codes used by the NWS Weather Radio Specific Area Message Encoder (WRSAME).

PSSCCC- This is the Location code and indicates the geographic area affected by the EAS alert. There may be 31 Location codes in an EAS alert. The Location code uses the Federal Information Processing Standard (FIPS) numbers as described by the U.S. Department of Commerce in National Institute of Standards and Technology publication FIPS PUB 6-4. Each state is assigned an SS number as specified in paragraph (f) of this section. Each county and some cities are assigned a CCC number. A CCC number of 000 refers to an entire State or Territory. P defines county subdivisions as follows: 0 = all or an unspecified portion of a county, 1 = Northwest, 2 = North Central, 3 = Northeast, 4 = West Central, 5 = Central, 6 = East Central, 7 = Southwest, 8 = South Central, 9 = Southeast. Other numbers may be designated later for special applications. The use of county subdivisions will probably be rare and generally for oddly shaped or unusually large counties. Any subdivisions must be defined and agreed to by the local officials prior to use.

+TTTT- This indicates the valid time period of a message in 15 minute segments up to one hour and then in 30 minute segments beyond one hour; i.e., +0015, +0030, +0045, +0100, +0430 and +0600.

JJJHHMM- This is the day in Julian Calender days (JJJ) of the year and the time in hours and minutes (HHMM) when the message was initially released by the originator using 24 hour Universal Coordinated Time (UTC).

LLLLLLL—This is the identification of the broadcast station, cable system, MDS/MMDS/ITFS station, NWS office, etc., transmitting or retransmitting the message. These codes will be automatically affixed to all outgoing messages by the EAS encoder.

NNNN- This is the End of Message (EOM) code sent as a string of four ASCII N char-

(d) The only originator codes are:

Originator	ORG code
Broadcast station or cable system Civil authorities Emergency Action Notification Network National Weather Service Primary Entry Point System	CIV EAN WXR

(e) The following Event (EEE) codes are presently authorized:

Nature of activation	Event codes
National Codes:	
Emergency Action Notification (National only)	EAN
Emergency Action Termination (National only)	EAT
National Information Center	NIC
National Periodic Test	NPT
Required Monthly Test	RMT
Required Weekly Test	RWT
Local Codes:	
Administrative Message	ADR
Blizzard Warning	BZW
Civil Emergency Message	CEM
Evacuation Immediate	EVI
Flash Flood Statement	FFS
Flash Flood Warning	FFW
Flash Food Watch	FFA
Flood Statement	FLS
Flood Warning	FLW
Flood Watch	FLA
High Wind Warning	HWW
High Wind Watch	HWA
Hurricane Statement	HLS
Hurricane Warning	HUW
Hurricane Watch	HUA
Practice/Demo Warning	DMO
Severe Thunderstorm Warning	SVR
Severe Thunderstorm Watch	SVA
Severe Weather Statement	SVS
Special Weather Statement	SPS
Tornado Warning	TOR
Tornado Watch	TOA
Tsunami Warning	TSW
Tsunami Watch	TSA
Winter Storm Warning	WSW
Winter Storm Watch	WSA

(f) The State and Territory FIPS number codes (SS) are as follows. County FIPS numbers (CCC) are contained in the State EAS Mapbook.

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	State	FIPS #
AL		0.
ΑK		02
ΑZ		04
AR		0
		06
CO		0
		0:
		10
		12
		1:
HI		1:
ID		16
		17
IN		18
IA .		19
KS		20
		2
		22
		23
MD		24
		2
		26
		2
		28
		2
		30
		3.
NV		32
NH		33
		34
		3
		36
		3
		38
		39
		40
		4
		4:
		4
		4
		4
		4
		48
		4
VT		50
		5
		5
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VVT		30

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Terr.	FIPS #
AS	60
PR	72
FM	64
PW	70
GU	66
UM	74
MH	68
VI	78
MP	69

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§11.32 EAS Encoder.

(a) EAS Encoders must at a minimum be capable of encoding the EAS

protocol described in §11.31 and providing the EAS code transmission requirements described in §11.51. EAS encoders must additionally provide the following minimum specifications:

- (1) Encoder programming. Access to encoder programming shall be protected by a lock or other security measures and be configured so that authorized personnel can readily select and program the EAS Encoder with Originator, Event and Location codes for either manual or automatic operation.
- (2) *Inputs*. The encoder shall have two inputs, one for audio messages and one for data messages (RS-232C with standard protocol and 1200 baud rate).
- (3) Outputs. The encoder shall have two outputs, one audio port and one data port (RS-232C with standard protocol and 1200 baud rate).
- (4) Calibration. EAS Encoders must provide a means to comply with the modulation levels required in §11.51(f).
- (5) Day-Hour-Minute and Identification Stamps. The encoder shall affix the JJJHHMM and LLLLLLL codes automatically to all initial messages.
- (6) *Program Data Retention.* Program data and codes shall be retained even with the power removed.
- (7) *Indicator*. An aural or visible means that it activated when the Preamble is sent and deactivated at the End of Message code.
- (8) Spurious Response. All frequency components outside 200 to 4000 Hz shall be attenuated by 40 dB or more with respect to the output levels of the mark or space frequencies.
- (9) Attention Signal generator. The encoder must provide an attention signal that complies with the following:
- (i) Tone Frequencies. The audio tones shall have fundamental frequencies of 853 and 960 Hz and not vary over \pm 0.5 Hz.
- (ii) *Harmonic Distortion*. The total harmonic distortion of each of the audio tones may not exceed 5% at the encoder output terminals.
- (iii) Minimum Level of Output. The encoder shall have an output level capability of at least +8 dBm into a 600 Ohm load impedance at each audio tone. A means shall be provided to permit individual activation of the two